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RCRA CORRECTIVE ACTION PROGRAM

STATEMENT OF BASIS

April 2022

**Franklin Pest Solutions – North, Inc.
(dba Hammond Pest Control (HPC))
702-714 State Street
Hammond, Indiana
U.S. EPA ID. INR 000 008 623**

I. INTRODUCTION

Under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), all permitted and interim status hazardous waste treatment, storage, or disposal facilities are required to conduct corrective action for any releases of hazardous waste or hazardous constituents at or from their facilities.

This Statement of Basis is issued by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM), regarding Franklin Pest Solutions - North, Inc. (dba Hammond Pest Control (HPC)), 702-714 Hammond, Indiana 46320. IDEM has determined that no further corrective action is necessary for any of the identified Solid Waste Management Units (SWMUs) or Areas of Concern (AOCs) at this facility.

IDEM is issuing this Statement of Basis as part of its public participation responsibilities under RCRA Corrective Action Program guidance, and is using the administrative procedures found in 40 CFR Part 270, as adopted by reference, to provide public notice and solicit comments. The public notice period is hereby announced and will continue for 30 days from the published date of the Public Notice in the Times of Northwest Indiana.

This Statement of Basis summarizes information found in greater detail in the work plans, reports, or other documents in this facility's administrative record, which can be accessed via IDEM's Virtual File Cabinet (VFC). IDEM encourages the public to review these documents in order to gain a more comprehensive understanding of the facility and the activities that have been conducted under RCRA authority. IDEM may modify this corrective action determination or select another remedy based on public comments or new information obtained.

This determination will complete the corrective action process under the RCRA Corrective Action Program for this facility. The facility must continue to comply with all applicable parts of RCRA.



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II. FACILITY BACKGROUND

HPC is a general pest control company located at 664 State Street, Hammond, Indiana. The facility operated an illegal hazardous waste container storage facility at 702-714 State Street, Hammond, Indiana. The former storage unit was closed with contaminated media in place per an approved closure plan (VFC# 69916470) as required by an Agreed Order (VFC# 65622478)) with IDEM. Closure involved the construction of an engineered cap to prevent direct contact with underlying soils and prevent residual contaminants remaining under the cap from migrating offsite. IDEM approved closure certification on October 27, 2016 (VFC# 80371240). HPC currently has a post-closure permit (VFC# 83066009) for cap inspections and maintenance.

III. SITE ASSESSMENT

The only SWMU identified at the site is the former hazardous waste container storage unit.

As outlined in the Risk Based Evaluation Report (VFC# 83257677), there are currently no unacceptable exposure risks to human health or the environment from the closed former storage unit.

IV. SUMMARY OF THE CORRECTIVE ACTION DETERMINATION

Based on the administrative record, IDEM is proposing no further action for the identified SWMU. IDEM is proposing that a Corrective Action Complete with Controls determination be issued for the HPC facility. "With Controls" means that institutional controls and engineering controls are being used to prevent unacceptable human health or environmental exposures from contaminated environmental media.

This determination is contingent upon the facility entering into a Long-Term Stewardship (LTS) Agreement with IDEM for ongoing inspections and maintenance of the engineered cap as outlined in the approved LTS Master Plan (VFC# 83301318). Upon entering into an LTS Agreement with IDEM, the facility will submit certification for completion of the post-closure care period as outlined in the facility's post-closure permit, and establish Financial Assurance required under the LTS Agreement.

V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The public is encouraged to review and submit written comments on this proposed determination, particularly if you are aware of past spills and/or releases that have occurred at this facility. You may request IDEM hold a public hearing or a public meeting. At a public hearing, you would have the opportunity to submit oral or written comments. At a public meeting, you would have an opportunity to submit written comments, ask questions, make statements, and

otherwise discuss any concerns about the Corrective Action process with IDEM staff. If a public hearing or meeting is held, IDEM will make a separate announcement of the date, time, and location of that hearing/meeting 30 days in advance.

The Public Notice and the administrative record are available for review on IDEM's Virtual File Cabinet. To view these documents, go to <http://vfc.idem.in.gov/>. After checking the "I'm not a robot" box, select "Document ID" from the Alternate Field drop-down menu and then enter the document number in the ID # cell. VFC document numbers are provided in Section VI. for the primary documents IDEM used to support this decision.

Before taking final action, IDEM will give full consideration to all significant and relevant comments received. IDEM will summarize the comments and its responses to the comments, and announce its decision in a Final Decision/Response to Comments document. This document will be incorporated into the administrative record. To send written comments or obtain further information, contact:

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VI. REFERENCES

Agreed Order (Cause No. H-13417) (4/6/99)	65622478
Modified RCRA Closure Work Plan (4/11/14)	69916470
RCRA Closure Work Plan Approval (4/24/14)	69967123
Closure Certification and Report (7/30/15)	80097118
Environmental Restrictive Covenant (10/3/16)	80365814
Environmental Restrictive Ordinance (10/26/16)	80370578
Closure Certification Approval (10/27/16)	80371240
RCRA Post-Closure Permit Notice of Decision (11/02/20)	83066009
Risk Based Evaluation Report (7/21/21)	83257677
LTS Master Plan (with Engineered Control Work Plan (4/04/22)	83301318